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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Bitterroot Ranch LLC Addison E. Winter, Registered Agent 205 S. Broadway Riverton, WY 82501

Ms. Mel Fox and Mr. Bayard Fox, Operators 1480 East Fork Road Dubois, Wyoming 82513

Re:

Emergency Administrative Order Closure Bitterroot Ranch Public Water System Docket No. SDWA-08-2005-0030 PWS ID #WY5601511

Dear Messrs. Addison Winter and Bayard Fox, and Ms. Mel Fox:

This letter is to inform you of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to close the Amended Emergency Administrative Order (Order), Docket No. SDWA-08-2005-0030, originally issued June 23, 2005, and amended on July 29, 2005, to Bitterroot Ranch LLC, and Ms. Mel Fox and Mr. Bayard Fox, owners and/or operators of the Bitterroot Ranch Public Water System located in Fremont County, Riverton, Wyoming. The Order was issued due to unsafe bacteriological samples collected from Homestead well #4. The Order closure is based on the System's decision to discontinue utilizing Homestead well #4 for domestic water, including drinking water, and instead pipe water from Bunkhouse well #3 to the Homestead cabin. The System has corrected the problem by taking well #4 off-line, and therefore the Order can be closed.

Please be aware that you are required to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs), 40 C.F.R. part 141. Violation of the NPDWRs or an administrative order may result in a court-imposed injunction and penalties of up to \$32,500 per day of violation.

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this issue. If you have any questions about your compliance requirements, please call Melanie Wasco of my staff at (303) 312-6540.

Sincerely,

Lisa Kahn, Team Leader

Drinking Water Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice